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This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## **CLAIMS**

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Currently Amended) Method <u>for painting plastic substrates</u>, according to claim 1, comprising the steps:
  - 1. applying a base coat layer consisting of a colour-and/or effectimparting base coat directly to the plastic substrate,
  - 2. evaporating and/or curing the base coat layer thus obtained,
  - 3. applying a clear coat layer consisting of a transparent clear coat to the base coat layer obtained,
  - 4. curing the clear coat layer obtained, optionally together with the base coat,
  - wherein the applied colour- and/or effect-imparting base coat comprises
  - A) 30 to 90% by weight of a conventional base coat composition, comprising
    - Aa) at least one binder <u>selected from the group consisting of</u> polyurethane, acrylated polyurethane, polyacrylate, polyester, acrylated polyester and alkyd resins and any combinations <u>thereof</u>,
    - Ab) at least one colour and/or effect pigment,
    - Ac) at least one organic solvent and/or water and
    - Ad) optionally conventional paint additives and
  - B) 10 to 70% by weight of the adhesion-promoting composition B),
    comprising
    - Ba) at least one ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer,

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- Bb) at least one chlorinated rubber,
- Bc) at least one chlorinated polyolefin and
- Bd) optionally organic solvents and/or water and conventional paint additives,

wherein the sum of the portions of components A) and B) makes up 100% by weight.

- 3. (Currently Amended) Method <u>for painting plastic substrates</u>, according to claim 1, comprising the steps:
  - applying a pigmented monocoat finish layer consisting of a colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition directly to the plastic substrate and
  - curing the top coat layer thus obtained,
     wherein the applied colour- and/or effect-imparting monocoat finish comprises
    - A) 30 to 90% of a conventional monocoat finish composition, comprising
      - Aa) at least one binder <u>selected from the group consisting</u> of polyurethane, acrylated polyurethane, polyacrylate, polyester, acrylated polyester and alkyd resins and any <u>combinations thereof</u>,
      - Ab) at least one colour and/or effect pigment,
      - Ac) at least one organic solvent and/or water and
      - Ad) optionally conventional paint additives and
    - B) 10 to 70% by weight of the adhesion-promoting composition
    - B), comprising
      - Ba) at least one ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer,

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- Bb) at least one chlorinated rubber,
- Bc) at least one chlorinated polyolefin and
- Bd) optionally organic solvents and/or water and conventional paint additives,

wherein the sum of the portions of components A) and B) makes up 100% by weight.

- 4. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim <u>2</u> 1, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition comprises 35 to 80% by weight of the conventional colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition A) and 20 to 65% by weight of the adhesion-promoting composition B), wherein the sum of portions of components A) and B) makes up 100% by weight.
- (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 2 4, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition comprises 40 to 70% by weight of the conventional colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition constitution A) and 30 to 60% by weight of the adhesion-promoting composition B), wherein the sum of portions of components A) and B) makes up 100% by weight.
- 6. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim <u>2</u> 4, wherein the adhesion-promoting composition B) comprises
  - Ba) 1.0 to 10.0% by weight of at least one ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer,
  - Bb) 0.5 to 10.0% by weight of at least one chlorinated rubber,
  - Bc) 1.0 to 10.0% by weight of at least one chlorinated polyolefin and

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Bd) 70.0 to 97.5% by weight of organic solvent and optionally, conventional paint additives, wherein the sum of the portions of components Ba) to Bd) makes up 100% by weight.

- 7. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 2 4, wherein the step of applying the pigmented paint layer consisting of a colourand/or effect-imparting coating composition is carried out in that a colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition containing the adhesion-promoting composition B) is applied directly to the plastic substrate and a colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition which does not contain the adhesion-promoting composition B) is then applied thereon.
- 8. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim <u>2</u> 1, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition is a solvent-based coating composition.
- 9. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim <u>2</u> 4, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition is a water-based coating composition.
- (Currently Amended) Method according to claim <u>2</u>4 for painting plastics in vehicle painting.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A plastic substrate coated according to the process of claim 2 4.

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12 (New) Method according to claim 3, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition comprises 35 to 80% by weight of the conventional colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition A) and 20 to 65% by weight of the adhesion-promoting composition B), wherein the sum of portions of components A) and B) makes up 100% by weight.

- 13. (New) Method according to claim 3, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition comprises 40 to 70% by weight of the conventional colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition constitution A) and 30 to 60% by weight of the adhesion-promoting composition B), wherein the sum of portions of components A) and B) makes up 100% by weight.
- 14. (New) Method according to claim 3, wherein the adhesion-promoting composition B) comprises
  - Ba) 1.0 to 10.0% by weight of at least one ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer,
  - Bb) 0.5 to 10.0% by weight of at least one chlorinated rubber,
  - Bc) 1.0 to 10.0% by weight of at least one chlorinated polyolefin and
  - Bd) 70.0 to 97.5% by weight of organic solvent and optionally, conventional paint additives, wherein the sum of the portions of components Ba) to Bd) makes up 100% by weight.
- 15. (New) Method according to claim 3, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition is a solvent-based coating composition.

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16. (New) Method according to claim 3, wherein the colour- and/or effect-imparting coating composition is a water-based coating composition.

- 17. (New) Method according to claim 3 for painting plastics in vehicle painting.
- 18. (New) A plastic substrate coated according to the process of claim3.